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Dear Liam Knox,

After careful review of your FOIA request, CBP-2019-048145, we have determined that your request is too broad in scope or did not specifically identify the records which you are seeking. *FOIA is not a search mechanism.* Records must be described in reasonably sufficient detail to enable government employees who are familiar with the subject area to locate records without placing an unreasonable burden upon the agency. For this reason, §5.3(b) of the DHS regulations, 6 C.F.R. Part 5, require that you describe the records you are seeking with as much information as possible to ensure that our search can locate them with a reasonable amount of effort.

A search of **ALL** CBP mailboxes with the search terms you provided would be overly burdensome on the agency, please narrow the scope of your request.

The FOIA does not require an agency to create new records, answer questions posed by requesters, or attempt to interpret a request that does not identify specific records.

This is not a denial of your request for records. Please resubmit your FOIA request, along with a more detailed description of the records being sought, by logging into your existing FOIAOnline account or creating an account at <https://foiaonline.gov>.

Sincerely,

U.S. Customs and Border Protection